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PISTOL GRIP ELECTROSURGICAL PENCIL WITH

MANUAL ASPIRATOR/IRRIGATOR AND METHODS

OF USING THE SAME

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Office Action mailed June 2, 2006, requires restriction to one of the following patentably distinct species of the invention: Species I (Figs. 1-7); Species II (Figs. 8-9); Species III (Figs. 10-12); and Species IV (Fig. 13). Please amend the application as follows.

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